

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Robert J. Barak
Subject: Board Strategic Plan Revision - Values Statement
Date: March 6, 2000

Recommended Action:

Approve the proposed revision to the Values Statement in the Board of Regents Strategic Plan.

Executive Summary:

Last December, during the discussion of the Board of Regents' and institutional strategic plans, the Board discussed the importance of linkages between the Board and the Regent institutions as well as between and among the Regent institutions. Efforts have been underway to address this interest of the Board and to seek ways of strengthening the linkages. While these efforts are continuing, a work group has proposed a change in the Board's "Value Statement" to address the Board's interest in linkages. The change noted below adds a new sentence to the "Values Statement" and modifies the last sentence. The new elements are underscored and the deleted items are lined out.

VALUES STATEMENT

The values nurtured by the Board of Regents flow from the trust bestowed by the people of Iowa and the Board's educational mission. The Board values learning, knowledge, access, and public service. The Board values academic freedom, and in every endeavor upholds the value of uncompromised integrity, conforming to the highest standards of ethics, honesty, trust, fairness, civility, and compassion.

The Board values its linkages with the Regent institutions and the synergies gained from communication links among the institutions themselves.

The Board values quality and pursuit of excellence in a diverse educational community. The Board embraces the value of dedication to educational and public service of the highest standard. The Board values stewardship, and accountability, and strategic planning from the universities and schools in all activities of the Board and the Regent institutions.

Robert J. Barak

Approved:

Frank J. Stork